

Revels was elected to the Mississippi Legislature as a Senator. On January 20, 1870, the Mississippi Legislature voted to seat Senator Revels to fill one of two unexpired Mississippi U.S. Senate seats vacated by Senator Albert Brown and Senator Jefferson Davis, who vacated his Senate seat to serve as President of the Confederacy. During Reconstruction, as Mississippi was readmitted to the Union on February 23, 1870, Hiram Rhodes Revels took his seat on February 25, 1870 as the first Black person to serve in the United States Senate and served on the Education and Labor Committee.

At the end of his Senate term on March 3, 1871, Senator Revels chose to return to Mississippi to become the first President of Alcorn State University, formally known as Oakland College. Alcorn is the first landgrant school in the United States for Black students. Alcorn is named for Senator Revels' political supporter, Governor James Alcorn. Briefly, in 1873, Senator Revels was chosen as Mississippi interim Secretary of State after the death of John Roy Lynch. He took a hiatus from Alcorn in 1874 and became the pastor of a church in Holly Springs, MS. In 1876 he returned as President of Alcorn and retired in 1882. Senator Revels returned to the ministry in Holly Springs where he died January 16, 1901.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Senator Hiram Rhodes Revels.

REMEMBERING RUTH MARIE GRANT

HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

Mr. SWALWELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today, along with Congressman MIKE DOYLE, to recognize the life of Ruth Marie Grant who passed away on Saturday, May 14, 2022, after a wonderful and trailblazing 90 years of life.

Ruth Marie O'Block was born on September 2, 1931, in Plum, Pennsylvania and spent her life growing and investing in her community through business and public service. This began after her graduation from Seton Hill University and marriage to Louis A. Grant. True to Pittsburgh style, together they began Louis A. Grant, Inc., a multi-million-dollar international competitor in the steel and aluminum industry. Ruth led the company for 54 years, spearheading women's leadership in an overwhelmingly male-dominated industry.

She also made significant headway in the financial industry, serving as the first female Board Member of People's Bank of Unity and remained active on the Board of S&T Bank following the two institutions' merger.

At her core, Ruth was a champion for public service, and inspiration for tomorrow's leaders. She was constantly seeking ways to improve access to education and serve her community. Her titles were numerous and spanned all levels of government. At the national level, Ruth served on the U.S. Department of Commerce's Committee on International Trade. In Pennsylvania, she served on the Governor's Education Committee where she contributed to the formulation of public policy, key personnel selections and decisions to reduce costs while enhancing the Commonwealth's

education services. And in Plum specifically, she held numerous roles including with the Plum Water Authority, Plum Planning and Zoning commission and the Plum Library Board.

Ruth also left an indelible mark at Seton Hill University, where she served as a trustee for a total of 22 years and was the immediate past chair of the Board of Trustees.

We believe Ruth would agree, that despite a lifetime of service, her most important titles were mother and "Granna." Ruth is pre-deceased by her husband Louis, but survived by her four children: Toni Grant Verstandig (Lee), Cindy Grant Pallatino, Ruth Ann Grant Wargofchik and Louis A. Grant, Jr., and seven grandchildren: John R. Wargofchik III, Andrew Wargofchik, Brady Wargofchik, Grant Verstandig, Brittany Grant, Louis Grant and Gaetano Grant.

May her legacy serve as an inspiration to new generations of public servants and entrepreneurs; and her memory serve as a blessing to her family.

TRIBUTE TO LUCY LEVINSOHN BERMAN—28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our Nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Lucy Levinsohn Berman of Sunland, a unique neighborhood of Los Angeles, California.

Lucy grew up in Palm Desert, California with her mother and sisters but spent many vacations and weekends with her father in Sunland. After her graduation from Palm Desert High School, she moved to the Los Angeles area, where she attended Glendale Community College, and California State University, Northridge, where she obtained her Bachelor of Arts in Music.

Activism and community service were important values instilled into Lucy at an early age. As a young girl, she volunteered at Ahead with Horses, a non-profit dedicated to providing equine therapy to disabled, special needs, and disadvantaged children. As a teenager, she volunteered for the Temple Sinai of Palm Desert's Thanksgiving feasts and yearly food drive and created her first daytime music festival in support of the Desert AIDS Project called NOMAD (New Original Music Across the Desert).

Ms. Levinsohn Berman is a Jewish American songwriter, singer and recording artist, who is most recognized as the frontwoman of the alternative rock band EVOLOVE, based in Los Angeles. Lucy's music has been featured in film and television, and her most recent project, The DreiDells is a Jewish comedy duo she and her sister, Anya Boyer developed to share a positive worldwide message about Judaism. A community builder and activist, she is a committee member of Songwriters of North America, which works towards fair royalty rates in the digital arena.

For nearly a decade, Ms. Levinsohn Berman has been a well-known leader in the Sunland-Tujunga Jewish community. As an enthusiastic member of the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council's Arts, Recreation, and Culture Committee, she founded Hanukkah in the Foothills, an annual inclusive celebration open to everyone that features traditional Hanukkah music, food, and the Hanukkah story. She also volunteered for Love The Neighborhood, a Sunland-Tujunga community beautification group.

Lucy and her husband, Billy, reside in Sunland with their two children, Zoey and Benny, dogs, tortoise, and chickens.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring this exceptional, well-respected woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Lucy Levinsohn Berman.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF CAPTAIN KEVIN LONG

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Captain Kevin Long of the Dearborn Fire Department on the occasion of his retirement. His honorable twenty-six years of service to our community is worthy of commendation.

Captain Long began his career at the Dearborn Fire Department in October 1996, beginning as a Firefighter 1. In April 2002, he was promoted to Firefighter 2 and then to the role of Fire Engineer in May 2006. Due to his excellence in service, he was named Lieutenant in April 2011 and then Captain in August 2012. Known for his bravery and leadership, he received the Departmental Medal of Valor in 1997 and the John D. Dingell Medal of Freedom Memorial Commendation in 2019. He is also the recipient of several awards, including the Fire Chief Life Saving Award, the Meritorious Service Award, the Fire Chief Unit Commendation, and numerous Meritorious Company Commendations.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Captain Kevin Long for a career of exemplary service to the Dearborn Fire Department. I join with Captain Long's family, friends, and colleagues in extending my gratitude to him for his honorable service in protecting our community and thank him for his role in serving the people of the City of Dearborn for the past twenty-six years. We wish him the best in retirement.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Madam Speaker, this week due to the ongoing public health emergency, I have been using a proxy to cast my vote. However, my proxy was unavailable during the time of this vote.

Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 190.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL ROOFING WEEK (NRW) AND THE NATIONAL ROOFING CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION (NRCA)

HON. RAJA KRISHNAMOORTHY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY. Madam Speaker, today I rise in recognition of the National Roofing Contractors Association and its efforts to promote the roofing industry and the work of its members through the designation of June 5–11, 2022, as National Roofing Week.

A roof is one of the most critical parts of any home or business. It serves as the first line of defense against natural elements, such as rain, snow, or wind, and yet it is often taken for granted until it falls into disrepair. National Roofing Week is meant to honor the thousands of roofing-related businesses and workers across the country, as well as the industry's commitment to public service. National Roofing Week is a valuable reminder of quality roofing's significance for every home and business across the U.S.

Established in 1886 and headquartered in Rosemont, Illinois, NRCA is one of the oldest trade associations and the voice of professional roofing contractors worldwide. NRCA has nearly 4,000 roofing company members who represent the entire roofing supply chain. NRCA uses its vast network of roofing contractors and industry-related members for the installation of new construction and replacement roof systems on commercial and residential structures throughout America. Most of its members are small, privately-held businesses that provide family-sustaining jobs for thousands of hardworking individuals that make up the backbone of our Nation's economy.

Professional roofing contractors provide vital services to their communities, on and off the clock. NRCA members will recognize National Roofing Week June 5–11 by supporting numerous charitable projects, employee training programs, and other activities across the nation. I commend NRCA and the vital role the organization and its members play in every community, and I ask my colleagues to join me in acknowledging their contributions during National Roofing Week.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SYLVIA R. GARCIA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

Ms. GARCIA of Texas. Madam Speaker, I was attending a meeting in preparation for a hearing for one of my committee assignments, and was not released timely; therefore, I was unable to vote. Had I been present for this vote, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 190.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all

meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 2022 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

MAY 24

10 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2023 for the Forest Service.

SD-366

10:15 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2023 for the Department of Education.

SD-138

2 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Reuben E. Brigety II, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of South Africa, Michael Battle, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the United Republic of Tanzania, Margaret C. Whitman, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kenya, Michael C. Gonzales, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zambia, John T. Godfrey, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Sudan, and Michael J. Adler, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of South Sudan, all of the Department of State, and other pending nominations.

SD-419/VTC

3 p.m.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine pending calendar business.

SR-418

MAY 25

Time to be announced

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Kalpana Kotagal, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, LaWanda Amaker Toney, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Communications and Outreach, and Nasser H. Paydar, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education, both of the Department of Education, Rita M. Landgraf, of Delaware, to be Assistant Secretary for Aging, Department of

Health and Human Services, and other pending calendar business.

TBA

10 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2023 for the Department of the Interior.

SD-124

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to consider S. 1472, to require the Federal Communications Commission and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration to update the Memorandum of Understanding on Spectrum Coordination, S. 4101, to require the Secretary of Commerce to provide training and guidance relating to human rights abuses, including such abuses perpetrated against the Uyghur population by the Government of the People's Republic of China, S. 4109, to authorize the development of a national strategy for the research and development of distributed ledger technologies and their applications, to authorize awards to support research on distributed ledger technologies and their applications, and to authorize an applied research project on distributed ledger technologies in commerce, and S. 4217, to ensure transparent and competitive transportation fuel markets in order to protect consumers from unwarranted price increases.

SR-253

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Joseph Goffman, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

SD-406

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the JCPOA negotiations and United States' policy on Iran moving forward.

SD-106/VTC

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine pending nominations.

SD-226

11 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 4000, to require the establishment of cybersecurity information sharing agreements between the Department of Homeland Security and Congress, S. 4128, to require the Comptroller General of the United States to provide certain information with respect to unimplemented priority recommendations as part of the Comptroller General's annual reporting to Congress, S. 4166, to authorize preparedness programs to support communities containing technological hazards and emerging threats, S. 471, to allow Members of Congress to opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System, and allow Members who opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System to continue to participate in the Thrift Savings Plan, S. 4057, to develop a comprehensive, strategic plan for Federal electric vehicle fleet battery management, S. 3905, to prevent organizational conflicts of interest in Federal acquisition, S. 3890, to improve intergovernmental cooperation and reduce duplicative spending,